

TICKENHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 13th April 2017 at 6.30 p.m.
in the Village Hall

ACTION/BY

PRESENT: Cllr Bruce Ralfs in the chair, Cllrs John Banks, Jane Brock, Ranjit Chuhan, David Franks, Alan Hooley and Mike Woodey.
In attendance: Vena Prater (Clerk)

38/17 APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs, Ann Loader, Pam Trenchard and Mike Perrott.

39/17 MINUTES of the meeting held on 9th March 2017, copies of which had been circulated, were approved and signed as a correct record.

40/17 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

(a) Parish Recycling Scheme: There was nothing further to report on the Tickenham Scheme.

(b) Defibrillator Training: The Clerk reported that the training would take place on 4th May in the Village Hall at 7.30 p.m.. There would be a small charge for the trainer's expenses.

(c) National Grid: It was understood that trial holes would be starting in early April but no firm dates had been received..

41/17 PLANNING MATTERS

(a) NEW APPLICATIONS:

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17/P/0564/F: 240 Clevedon Road: Two-storey side and rear extensions; detached double garage. No objections were raised

17/P/0687/F: Land rear of 131 Clevedon Road: Erection of dwelling following demolition of outbuilding. As this proposal was back land development, it was **AGREED**

- to recommend to North Somerset Council (NSC) that the application be refused.

17/P/0799/F: Overmoor, Hill Lane: Change of use from detached external store to holiday let. No objections were raised.

(b) UP-DATES:

17/P/0235/F: High Trees, Cadbury Camp Lane: Single- and two-storey extensions. Approved by NSC.

17/P/0351/TPO: Wood Smoke Cadbury Camp Lane: Felling of four trees. T1 & T2 removal approved; T3 & T4 removal not justified, therefore refused by NSC.

147 Clevedon Road: *The meeting was adjourned at 7.53 p.m. to allow a member of the public speak and reconvened at 7.56 p.m..*

The Clerk had circulated information and accompanying photographs received from a neighbour which showed that the fence as existing severely hampered visibility from the neighbouring property No. 149 Clevedon Road. After discussion the Council **AGREED**

- to recommend to NSC that, in the light of this new information, their decision to take no further action should be reconsidered.

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16/P/2633/F: Golden Acre: It was noted that the application for 7 two-storey dwellings had been approved by NSC on 2nd March. The Council was concerned

that the issues it had raised appeared to have been ignored and the Clerk was asked to seek clarification.

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(c) Proposed developments in Nailsea: The Clerk had been able to arrange a meeting with neighbouring councils and representatives from NSC to share current thinking and discuss issues around planning and transport. The meeting would take place on Tuesday 25th April 2017 from 7.30 to 9.00 p.m. in the Village Hall. It was **AGREED**

- that the following would represent Tickenham Parish Council: Cllrs Bruce Ralfs, Pam Trenchard, David Franks and Alan Hooley. Others were welcome to attend as observers.

42/17 FINANCIAL MATTERS

(a) Payments: The following were approved:

Clerk's salary March	£221.03
Clerk's expenses March	£8.55
HMRC March	£55.40
National & Avon Local Councils' Association	£168.16
North Somerset Council (dog bin collection)	£14.40

(c) External Audit

The Clerk reported that the new arrangements for audit had been introduced and Tickenham was one of 5% of small councils chosen for external audit.

43/17 HIGHWAYS

(a) B3130: Jacklands: The Clerk reported that the NSC Highways Engineer had reported that, if approved, it would cost approximately £5,000 to introduce a lower speed limit on this stretch of road. The response from the Police had been somewhat vague. The Chairman reminded the council that the accidents actually occurred in Nailsea and after consideration it was **AGREED**

- that the question of the speed limit be taken up with Nailsea Town Council;
- that the Council would support the resident's request that signage which had been damaged and was now missing should be reinstated and the Clerk would write to NSC accordingly.

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(b) Wide verge and footpath near Garden Park: No direct answer had been received to the Council's enquiry about a No Parking sign but NSC had indicated that consideration was being given to more sponsorship of open spaces and suggested that a local garden centre might agree to sponsor planters, thus preventing access. It was not clear whether sponsorship would include grass cutting. It was

- **AGREED** to await more information from NSC.

(c) Gully, Stone Edge Batch: The Clerk had been informed that the gully cover was seized in its frame: replacement would require a road closure and NSC was considering what other works could be carried out at the same time. However, the works were dependent on priority and budget.

(d) Incidents: Two accidents were noted: one at Old Lane and one on Tickenham Hill - injuries unknown.

(e) Tickenham Hill: The Clerk had circulated a copy of a letter from a resident to NSC expressing concern about the speed of traffic on Tickenham Hill. It was noted that this was a residential road with traffic emerging from driveways. The Council **AGREED**

- that the Clerk be asked to write to NSC endorsing the concerns expressed by the resident and requesting a 'no overtaking' restriction;
- that the Chairman would respond to the resident.

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(f) Vehicle Activated Sign: It was noted that the sign had been installed near Orchard Avenue and would be moved to an opposite-facing location in due course.

FOOTPATHS

(g) Footpath rear of 240 Clevedon Road: NSC had agreed to repair the handrail and treat the slippery surface which had previously been reported.

(h) Stiles along the river bank towards Clevedon had now been replaced with gates.

(i) Banks of the River Land Yeo at Stone Edge Batch had been repaired.

(j) The Clerk would circulate her record of NSC works completed/outstanding. Clerk/11.05.17

44/17 COMMUNITY RESILIENCE PLAN

This item would be discussed at the Annual Parish Meeting.

45/17 VILLAGE HALL REPORT

In the absence of Cllr Trenchard the Clerk reported that NSC had agreed to donate two cycle racks.

It was noted that a lady attending a Tickenham Drama Group event at the Hall had fallen in the car park on Friday 7th April, fracturing her pelvis. The Clerk would report the incident to the Council's insurers. Clerk/21.04.17

46/17 VILLAGE FIELD REPORT

(a) Cllr Hooley reported that a new notice board was in place showing rules and emergency contact numbers. Work for the boules pitches was progressing. Junior rounders would be starting on Monday evenings in May, equipment having been donated by the Field Committee.

(b) Toddler equipment

The Field Committee was disappointed that the Council had not agreed to provide a small item of equipment for toddlers despite the Committee offering to contribute half the cost. It had since been verified that there were ten toddlers in the village for whom small equipment would be appropriate. The Chairman agreed that the matter could be reconsidered at the next meeting. Clerk/21.04.17

47/17 CORRESPONDENCE

The following were noted:

Tickenham School: newsletters

Police and Crime Commissioner: newsletter

Campaign to Protect Rural England: newsletter

48/17 DATES AND TIMES OF MEETINGS 2017

The second Thursday in the month at 6.30 p.m. as follows:

May 11 (Annual Meeting of the Parish Council); June 8; July 13; [August 10]; September 14; October 12; November 9; December 14.